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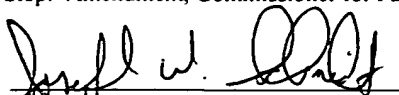
Sir:

Applicants hereby request reconsideration of the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action of August 8, 2006. In several telephone conversations between Supervisory Patent Examiner (SPE) Henry A. Bennett and the undersigned attorney of record, it was agreed that the aforementioned restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action is improper in view of the status and prosecution history of the subject application. Examiner Bennett further indicated that he is in the process of examining this application and will act upon the pending claims in the near future, and that no election by the Applicants pursuant to the restriction requirement or any accompanying petition is necessary by this paper.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)

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Should the Examiner believes that a telephone or a personal interview may facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, he/she is respectfully requested to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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